

Chairman Julius Genachowski Commissioner Meredith Attwell Baker Commissioner Mignon Clyburn Commissioner Michael J. Copps Commissioner Robert M. McDowell

Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: GN Docket No. 09-191

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Dear Chairman Genachowski and Commissioners:

We write to express our concerns about the "net neutrality" rules you are currently considering. We are the economic development organization serving Southwest Michigan with the mission of retaining and creating jobs; and growing industries in Michigan.

We rely on affordable broadband access to do our jobs. In the past decade, this access has changed how we do business. It has allowed us to serve new customers almost anywhere in the world with very little investment in capital or inventory.

This has been a result of the very competitive marketplace that has allowed the internet to constantly improve over the years. It did not happen because of government rules and regulations.

We encourage government to adopt policies that will encourage additional investment in broadband and make it more accessible to a greater population and broader array of businesses.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ron Kitchens

Chief Executive Officer

